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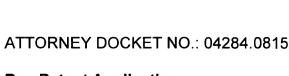
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> New U.S. Patent Application Title: COMMUNICATION APPARATUS AND COMMUNICATION RATE **SELECTING METHOD THEREOF**

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We enclose the following papers for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above patent application.

- 1. A check for \$760.00 representing the filing fee.
- 2. Application - 31 pages, including 2 independent claims and 10 claims total.
- 3. Drawings - 6 sheets of drawings containing 7 figures.
- 4. Certified copy of Japanese Application No. 10-266858, filed September 21, 1998.

This application is being filed under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(f). Applicant awaits notification from the Patent and Trademark Office of the time set for filing the Declaration.







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Applicant claims the right to priority based on Japanese Application No. 10-266858, filed September 21, 1998.

Please accord this application a serial number and filing date.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional filing fees due and any other fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or § 1.17 during the pendency of this application to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

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